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Big Holiday Winter Festival Proves A Whopping Success

by Sharon Spivack



FROLICHSOME STUDENTS throng dance hall at Winter Festival

The passionate atmosphere and the conducive lighting offered merriment and diversion for all at the gala Winter Dance, held at the Riverside Plaza Hotel, December 14.

The romantically Latin and cleverly arranged popular music was created by two great bands. The famous Charlie Palmieri and his Pachanga Dubonney played the Latin-American songs, and Tiny Man (Hy Mandel) and his Eleven Piece Pop Orchestra played popular rhythms.

Foot Stomping Rhythm

The harmonious sounds were naturally smooth and were coordinated with the melodious tunes. Foot stomping in rhythm to the euphonious sounds alternated with distinct steps, danced by all who utilized their light fantastic toes in the art of dancing.

The Holiday Festival Winter Dance proved to be a master stroke in the lives of those who attended. The people who missed this evening eluded one night that was crowned with success.

Honors Convocation Held

by Van Farber

Dean's List students from both the Day and Evening Sessions of Bronx Community College were recognized at an Honors Convocation, November 30, in the auditorium of the Bronx High School of Science. Ceremonies began at 8:30 P.M.

To be on the Dean's List, a student must have achieved a scholastic index of 3.00 or better for the preceding semester.

Besides those honored for their achievements in the past semester, special commendations were given to students who have accumulated a 'B' average or better during their College careers.

Notables Make Awards

The honor certificates were

awarded by **Dean Abraham Tauber** of the Day Session and **Dean Sidney Silverman**, Director of the Evening Session. **President Morris Meister** delivered the welcoming address and was followed on the program by **Dr. Clement M. Thompson**, Director of Guidance, Counseling and Student Services; **Professor Martin May**, Chairman of the Faculty Association; and **Philip Firszenbaum**, President of the Day Session Student Council.

The B.C.C. Chorus, under the able direction of **Dr. Marvin Salzberg**, presented an enjoyable group of musical selections.

Much of the credit for the successful evening goes to **Dr. Vera F. Minkin**, Chairman of the Committee on Ceremonial Occasions.

High Hopes Held for Hoopster Haven

The long period of waiting has at long last come to an end. The B.C.C. auditorium is now almost complete and soon will be used for various assemblies and school productions. The gymnasium is completed and Health Ed. sections will no longer have to meet in classrooms and become physically fit through the application of isometric exercises alone. Also completed is the B.C.C. swimming pool. Classes will have access to the natatorium beginning next semester.

It won't be long before Bronx Community College can put plans into operation for distinguished guest speakers to lecture in the auditorium, hold meetings in the auditorium, and advance plans for basketball, baseball, tennis and swimming teams.

Dr. Rudolf Michels Delivers Lecture on TheCommonMarket

by Kitty Katz

Room 519 was jammed to capacity when the Business Club's guest speaker, **Dr. Rudolf Michels** of Hunter College, delivered his authoritative and entertaining lecture on the Common Market. **Club President Gene Kilduff** introduced the guest speaker.

Dr. Michels began by telling the origin and general aims of the economic organization.

Common Market Established

He said the Common Market was established by the Treaty of Rome in March 1957, and according to the Treaty "all contiguous European countries" would be admitted to the Common Market. The Market's aim is to create a unity among its member nations—France, Germany, Italy, and the Benelux countries.

The six nations, said Dr. Michels, had been "too small to live by themselves," and so their integration plan produced a "supranational organization."

Dr. Michels then gave a simplified version of the managing powers in the Common Market. He described the Council of Ministers, the Commission, the European Parliament, and the Court of Justice. Following this account of the governing bodies in the Common Market was a discussion of some of its current progress and problems.

Affiliation Sought

Today, membership in or association with the Common Market is being sought after by many nations. Already Denmark, Ireland, and England have applied for full membership.

Because Austria, Sweden, and Switzerland wish to enter into economic union while remaining politically untied and maintaining neutrality, they have asked for association rather than full membership. Greece has been accepted as an associate member, the Hunter College professor added, and sixteen new African nations, all formerly French, can now sell their products in Europe duty-free because they have been granted association in the Common Market.

With trade barriers eliminated, it is easy to see how the Common Market will raise the standard of living in all its member and associate nations.

Threat to U.S.

"But how does this affect us, as Americans?" asked a student during the question-and-answer period following the speech. Dr. Michels' candid reply was that there is definitely "bad blood" between Americans and the Common Market. Our attitude, he said, is that "We are a first class power and who did you say you were?" However, reciprocal trade agreements might be possible for the future.

There was such a steady stream of questions from the audience that **Professor Isabelle Krey**, of the Business and Commerce Department, had to intercept and close. Both she and **Dean Sidney Silverman** expressed their gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Michels.

Guidance Report on Alumni Raises Significant Questions

This report presents the results of the follow-up study of our alumni, raises some questions concerning the significance and implications of these findings, and suggests areas for further study.

HIGHLIGHTS:

Further Education: Of the 29 students who comprised the first graduating class in January, 1961, 79% are attending a four-year college, day or evening. Of the Classes of June and August, 1961, 85% went on to further education, either full or part-time, day or evening, matriculant or non-matriculant.

In transfer curricula, 97% of the Liberal Arts and Sciences and 100% of the Pre-Engineering graduates are continuing their education as full-time day students in a four-year college or professional school.

Three of the four Pre-Pharmacy alumni are attending a College of Pharmacy; the fourth has returned to B.C.C. to make up a deficiency prior to attending a professional school.

Practically all of the Business and Commerce, Accounting, graduates continue their education. Twenty of the twenty-two alumni (95%) are attending a four-year college either as full-time day or part-time evening students; one is in the Armed Services.

A surprisingly large percentage of graduates in Electrical Engineering Technology (five of eleven or 55%) and Mechanical Engineering (3 of 3, or 100%) tend to work toward the A.A. degree in Pre-Engineering either in day or evening sessions. Most of these have chosen to return to B.C.C.; one is attending Queensborough Community College; another, City College.

Graduates of the Medical Laboratory Technology curriculum (77%) tend to continue their education as non-matriculated evening session students.

The Retailing and Secretarial alumni seem to consider their B.C.C. work "terminal," with fewer than one third of them going on to further education.

Employment: In the career curricula, all but two of the 77 Alumni, or 97% of those who are working full time, are employed in the fields for which they were trained at B.C.C.

IMPLICATIONS, QUESTIONS OF SIGNIFICANCE TO B.C.C.

There seems to be evidence that more of our graduates tend to go on to four-year colleges than is true nationally of Community College graduates. Reports show 70-80 percent of students entering a two-year college say they want to continue their education beyond the Associate Degree level, but a much lower percentage of graduates actually go on to a four-year institution. We have found that among the 213 of our first 227 graduates replying to the questionnaires, 180 or 84% have gone on to further education in either day or evening sessions.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

More students admitted to transfer programs continue to graduation than those in career programs: 147 A.A. degrees were granted, as compared with 80 A.A.S. degrees, although at the time of admission, the number in each degree program is equal.

We seem to be, in larger measure than we anticipated, a preparatory school for students wishing to go on to a four-year college. This is true for so-called "terminal" curricula as well as for what we recognize as "transfer" programs.

The figures on attendance in college beyond the two-year level could conceivably have many implications for B.C.C. in curriculum planning, standards of excellence, selection of students, etc.

Some questions which might be asked at this point are:

1. What is the significance of the difference in numbers completing A.A. and A.A.S. degree requirements? Does this indicate difference in motivation, selectivity on the part of the admissions committee, realism of vocational choice at time of admission, sincere desire to continue education, change of curriculum after admission?

2. Is the higher rate of attrition in career curricula desirable? Should our standards be re-examined? Should only those survive who are capable of further academic education? Are we losing students who might do a technician's job adequately, but who are not capable of high achievement in academic subjects?

3. Are we satisfied to be a "preparatory" college to such an extent? Is this the function we are meant to fulfill in the design of the State University and the City University? Have we assumed this role because of the quality of our student body or because the demands we are making of the students are such that those of less ability do not complete graduation requirements?

OVER-ALL CONSIDERATIONS

If the College is to recognize the interest in further education of many of the so-called "terminal" students, we might do well to consider the following:

1. It would seem that Accounting alumni tend to consider themselves on the path to a profession, 95% of them recognizing the importance of further education. If this trend continues, should some consideration be given to ways in which students in this curriculum may be prepared with "transfer" status rather than the so-called "terminal" classification, which limits their possibilities of acceptance as matriculated students in the City University's four-year colleges?

2. Many of the Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Technology graduates decide to continue their education, most of them remaining at Bronx Community College to prepare for the A.A. degree in Pre-Engineering.

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President Honored

President Morris Meister is most heartily congratulated by us all on his having been one of fifty renowned guests honored in California, December 29, with the National Academy of Achievement's Golden Plate Awards.

That these honors were given last year to such great men as Dr. Edward Teller, Dr. Charles Mayo and Gen. Douglas MacArthur demonstrates the status of our President in the eyes of America.

Dr. Meister was also recognized recently by editorials in the New York Daily Mirror and the New York World Telegram and Sun on the 25th Anniversary of Bronx High School of Science which he founded and developed during its first 21 years, until he resigned to assume the presidency of Bronx Community College.

A leader in a score of educational, fraternal and humanitarian organizations, this prolific writer has received highest honors from most select organizations in the borough, city, state and nation.

These most recent accolades remind those of us who have not known of or perhaps have overlooked or forgotten the determination, devotion, zeal, fortitude and makings of the President and how extremely fortunate Bronx Community College has been to have received the leadership of Dr. Morris Meister.

The College at this time joins the National Academy of Achievement and the daily newspapers in paying homage to a great educator and a very fine man.

Be Sure to Vote

Since Mr. Jerry Nagel, Editor of the *Communicator*, is campaigning for the presidency of the Student Government along with candidates for other offices having similar platforms, we apply our policy of fair play and abstain from comment on the issues, election, present government and qualifications of candidates.

However we make the following suggestion: in order to have the best candidates in office, all students should compare past performances and platforms, select their choice and vote accordingly on election day. A Government responsive to the will of the students must be elected by them.

Come out of your tranquil realm and get that deeply satisfying feeling. Why be just a B.C.C. student? (When you can also be a reporter for our newspaper.) The girls are head over heels; the guys are head over heels; why aren't you? Perhaps it is because you're not a reporter for the *Communicator*—but you can be if you care to join us. Gain the experience, glamor and prestige that goes with being a part of the *Communicator* staff. If we've whetted your appetite, contact the Editor, c/o Box 70.

Missiles from the Mailman

Dear Editor: I transferred from a campus of 13,000 students where one or two non-interested students were never noticed, and where there were more than enough interested dynamic personalities to fill the responsible positions in student government. However, in a small school, such as ours, every interested student "sticks out like a sore thumb." When I first got to know B.C.C., I was appalled at the lack of student participation in the activities available to the student; and now, as a recently appointed member of student council, I find myself appalled by the lack of interest in student government both by members and non-members of this organization, the lack of respect for Council and its legislation, and, as a result, the ineffectiveness of this legislation.

The Student Council

I have just finished reading a copy of the Council's constitution, and find it difficult to believe that the vast difference between what is on paper and what the actual council is allows the Council to operate at all. The most obvious deviation from the Constitution is the non-existence of the Student Court for which this document calls, the prime function of this body being the maintenance of "student justice" which is rather ambiguous and is nowhere defined. I also found that there is no provision, either on paper or in actuality, for any type of communication between council members and the students they "represent." As for the council members themselves, if they remember there is a meeting, they show up. (There was a meeting called for November 5, 1962 and only four members attended.) They have little communication with each other. (No one knows when or where meetings are held.) And they avoid taking a stand on anything. (Earlier, during the semester Student Council legislated against girls' wearing slacks and as of now, there are many girls wandering around the halls with slacks, blue-jeans and so on.)

The Student Body

And now that we have looked at Council's reasons for inactivity, inefficiency, and a sum total of nothing to show for the better part of a semester in office, let's look at the "typical" student at B.C.C. He seldom, if ever, attends the lectures and seminars offered by various organizations. (At one of these, a Council member came into the activities office and asked those in the office to attend, since there were only four or five present at that lecture.) He has little interest in the athletic activities sponsored by the school. (The average attendance at wrestling matches is five students.) He never expresses his views, if he has any, in the *Communicator* or *Newsletter*. He wouldn't dream of running for office or of serving on one of Council's committees or of learning what issues are under debate at election time and then voting for the candidate he feels is worthy of the office. (Only 120 students voted in the last election.)

The Administration

It seems that Council blames the students and the students blame Council for an ineffective student government, and yet there is another factor to be considered. The Constitution, as it now stands, calls for an independent, self-government by the students, and yet, in many instances, Council's hands are tied by the Administration; i.e. all signs posted must have the Director of Student Activities' signature on it, and on several occasions the administration has been asked to cut the power supply on the 5th floor T.V. in order to effectively enforce the T.V. viewing regulations—this has not yet been done.

It would appear that progress is never a one-sided affair, and that "no man is an island." Perhaps if Council, the students and the Administration could find it within themselves to agree to cooperate and work together they would achieve an effective, efficient and representative student government. If council members would truly assume the responsibilities of their offices, if students would take an appreciable interest in Council and its activities, and if the administration would allow council to function with a minimum amount of control, I feel that our government would be among the best in the city colleges. HOWEVER IT TAKES COOPERATION AMONG ALL TO ACHIEVE THE DESIRED EFFECT.

(Signed) Marcia Bouton

Dear Editor: On Wednesday, December 5, 1962, I had the displeasure of witnessing a phenomenon known as the "Coketail Hour." As an alumnus of Bronx Community College, I feel that I must protest the aboriginal antics that are carried on at these dances between certain hours on specified days. These antics tend to remind me of the ancient fertility rites performed by the barbaric pagans of days past. I am not averse to dancing, but the gyrations these students go through are the absurd of the absurd. While the agility of the dancers demonstrates the success of the isometric exercise program of the Physical Education Department, I, however, don't think it demonstrates good taste and maturity on the part of the student body.

Is this the image we project? The college cafeteria and lounge remind me more of a teenage rock and roll show gone mad than of a place to eat and study in peace and quiet. I feel that this type of crass display is inappropriate to a college environment and it merely serves to illustrate the immaturity of the students in attendance there. While the college is young and growing and there is need to experiment in the realm of student activities, the continuance of such dancing can only serve to debase the college's standards and reputation amongst the community and its sister schools.

Leaders, Arise!

Student Government has proved its shortsightedness and demonstrated its typical inadequacy in sponsoring these dances. Student Government has avoided the problem of improving the intellectual and cultural atmosphere at the college. 'Passing the buck' to faculty and/or administration Cultural Committees solves no problems and only illustrates Student Government's immature actions once it gets the responsibility it is always crying for. As an individual and as an active member of the Alumni Association, I can not condone what seems to be to be a debasement of intellectual values at the college.

(Signed) Keith S. Ehrlich '62

Dear Editor: Your editorial on "Culture Supplement" in the most recent issue of the *Communicator* suggests that it might be interesting to hear speakers "on the historic post-war trend toward independence in Africa." You may be interested in knowing that Bronx Community College's International Club has already brought distinguished speakers on this topic to the College campus.

Last semester, Reverend Febe-Egziabhier Degou, the representative in the United States of the Patriarch of Ethiopia spoke on "Ethiopia and the Culture of Africa,"—a most interesting presentation from the viewpoint of an African. On December 7 of this year, Professor Hugh Brooks, Director of the Institute of African Studies at St. John's University, gave an extensive lecture on "Socio-Economical Problems of Emerging Political Freedom in Africa,"—the viewpoint of an American scholar and expert in this field.

All Are Welcome

These lectures have been attended not only by members of the International Club—from both Day and Evening Session—but also by members of the general student body of the College who are always invited. It is also noteworthy that the International Club itself has members from many parts of the world, as well as from this country, who have contributed to such interesting discussions as "The Foreign Student Views the U.S.A." (a panel discussion graciously moderated by Professor Sypher last semester).

Bronx Community College's International Club not only serves its members but represents, I believe, an important asset to our College community. It has been continually gratifying to work as faculty advisor with this group.

(Signed) Paul Rosenfeld, Assistant to Director of Evening Session and Faculty Advisor, International Club

Inquiring Reporter

Question: Should faculty names be listed next to the classes they will teach on the student registration schedules? Where asked: Student Cafeteria.

Barry Schoor: Instructors' names should be handed out. The advantage would be in the student's knowing what classes the teacher is going to have, and if he, in the past, has found a teacher he cannot profit from, he wouldn't enter that class on his program.



BARRY SCHOOR

Alice Chaikin: Emphatically no. Too many students will register for a class on the reputation of a teacher alone. This will lead to overcrowded classes, while others will have insufficient registration.



ALICE CHAIKEN

Maureen Drawas: Yes. If a student finds that he doesn't get along with a faculty member or doesn't approve of his teaching methods, he can avoid being in his class.



MAUREEN DRAWAS

Vladimir Mencinsky: No. You come to school to learn, not to pick teachers.



VLADIMIR MENCINSKY

Question: Why aren't faculty names listed on the master schedule along with the class numbers?

Where asked: Registrar's Office
Mr. John D'Andrea and Mr. Peter Fitzgerald: Almost all of the time, the names of the faculty on the master schedule aren't completed until after registration. We have enough instructors to cover the classes, but the schedule is flexible and subject to change at all times. We may add a class or we may combine classes, depending on registration. It is also part of the school policy.

Marie Captures New Degree Gets Her MRS at B.C.C.



"GET OFF MY FEET, WILL YA, PETE!" yelps Mrs. to Mr. Caffrey.

Once upon a time, and a very good time it was (September 1961 to be exact), two unmarried instructors came into the English Department Office prior to the beginning of another school term. Each came with a master's degree, he in three years will have gotten a Ph.D.; within a year she had secured her MRS.

It was love at first sight for Peter Caffrey and Marie Meng in the half-renovated English office, and by August 11 they were married.

The couple returned from a Canadian honeymoon to their six-room, two-family home on City land. Their library is large, containing several religious as well as secular volumes. Religious ornaments adorn their pastel walls.

Hospitality is a trait common to the Caffreys, as manifested when, after a long drive from a convention at Cooperstown with various

B.C.C. editors, the couple invited us all in for dinner, with Mrs. Caffrey, whose hobby is "new and exciting cooking recipes" baking a quick cake for dessert.

Gentlemen First!

The Caffreys take great pride in their home and, of course, in each other. Because of the time required by her home and husband "to whom I have primary obligation," Mrs. Caffrey feels it is too difficult to teach and adequately fulfill her responsibilities at home, and has submitted her resignation to President Meister, effective at the end of this term.

Noting the fact that both she and her husband teach the same English Composition courses now at B.C.C., Mrs. Caffrey reflected, "It's wonderful being able to talk to someone on effective teaching techniques."

So B.C.C. offers more than just education! Ask the Caffreys.

Clubs Hit It Off Real Big

by Elaine Israel

One of the busiest clubs at Bronx Community College is the **Business Club**, according to its president, **Eugene Kilduff**. A lecture on the Common Market, given by Dr. Rudolf Michels, Professor of Economics at Hunter College, Dec. 6, had a tremendous turnout.

Donna Castagna, Vice-President of the Business Club, was the chief organizer of a toy drive for the children of Lincoln Hospital. The **Newman Club** also helped with the drive. The two clubs jointly spon-

sored a Christmas party in the lounge on December 20. The climax of the celebration was a visit from a very jolly Santa Claus.

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Under the direction of its president, **Paul Mifsud**, the students belonging to the **Dramatics Club** gave a sample of their talents when they put on an hilarious satire on B.C.C. at the Carnival. **Al Schlosser**, **Clive Brash**, **Paul Mifsud**, **Steve Rosenberg** and **Irene Ingrassia** combined talents in the skit on, among other things, renovation, the elevators, the guard and various instructors including "Professor Pumpkin" and "Mr. Dalub."

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'Les jeunes filles et les garçons' of the **French Club** had as their speaker November 29, a French-born fellow student, **M. Wajsbort**, who spoke entirely in his native tongue. Afterwards the members asked questions about France, with the majority concerning themselves with the French educational system. Those who enjoy cutting classes are advised to move to France. There, 'college' students need only attend classes to take tests.

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Hillel goes bowling on Thursdays as part of a new drive to get more members.

Cultura Espana is formulating plans for a dinner-dance at the San Martin Restaurant. The members of the club voted to hold the dinner in February. Meanwhile, the **German scholars** are making plans to attend a Deutsch opera.

Phys-Eds Exercise Their Vocal Cords

by Kitty Katz

The third in a series of Faculty Lectures, "The Exercise of the Business Man," was presented on Thursday, December 6, with speakers from the Health and Physical Education Department—**Miss Marion Stringham**, **Mr. Michael Steuerman**, and **Mr. Frank Wong**. The speakers concerned themselves with the much-publicized "flabby American." Their focus was primarily on the sedentary worker of the business community.

The three speakers explained the necessity and benefits of being physically fit. They also told how a program of regular, gradually increased exercise might be the way to release tensions and to build up what Mr. Wong called "a reservoir of strength."

Exercise Sub-Rosa

Each instructor described some not-too-conspicuous methods of exercising on the job, which Miss Stringham called "living exercises or exec-cercises." She described some basic ones, such as straightening the posture and rotating the ankle while still remaining seated.

Mr. Wong defined the new trend in exercise isometrics—as the holding, stretch, or bending of a muscle. The virtues of this method of exercise lie in the absence of a need for equipment, time, and space. The audience tried out a few of these isometric exercises—and they were painless!

For those who would still prefer to stick to the traditional "blood, sweat and tears" method (isotonic exercise), Mr. Steuerman was on hand to demonstrate several strenuous sit-ups (which looked effortless when he did them), and Mr. Wong did some skill-requiring push-ups. This more vigorous type of exercise could be carried out in the home, in a private health club, or through an evening high school gym set-up. Miss Stringham added that students could go down to the local "Y"—not to the local bar!

Not How; How Often

Each instructor advised all future white-collar workers to incorporate a scheme of exercise into their daily lives. The method of exercise chosen, they said, is not as important as the fact that exercise is done. Said Miss Stringham: "Exercise should be done wherever you are, with whatever you've got to use."

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Al Schlosser: Standout Student Lively, Literary Luminary

by Jerry Nagel



ALVIN SCHLOSSER, laughing uproariously, makes a spectacle of himself.

All Alvin Schlosser, this issue's *Student-of-the-Month*, does all term is fill the jobs of President of the January senior class, Editor of the Day Session *Student Newsletter*, Poetry Editor of *Gleanings*, the literary magazine, *Communicator* staff writer, member of the Freshman Orientation Society and Chairman of the Student Council Elections Committee.

Much of the rest of his time is spent reading ("Canterbury Tales is my favorite; I keep reading it, and would even like to teach an elective on Chaucer in college"), and listening to music ("I've always liked classical music and jazz. Recently I've become interested in folk music—in fact, I recently bought a guitar. I play the saxophone, too.")

Al also is part of Bronx Democratic Reorganizing Committee which is composed of about 50 college students. He is chairman of the publicity committee.

Knows Our Problems

Schlosser will major in English either at C.C.N.Y. or State University College at Albany, after which time he expects to teach

English in college—hopefully at B.C.C. "I think I may have a better understanding of the students and their problems at B.C.C.—having received education here myself, as opposed to an instructor coming from a big out-of-town university," he said.

"One of my biggest ambitions is to faculty advise such a publication as *Student Newsletter*," the publication's present editor declared. "And I'd like to faculty advise at B.C.C."

The 5'11", 175 pound liberal arts student has comments on Bronx Community College too.

Maturity Achieved

"When I came here it was still looking like a high school and I grew with the school. As it was renovated so was I. I gained a spiritual and academic maturity with it. In so short a time it has become established—as if it has been here longer than it really has.

"The faculty and students have a close association with each other. It would be wonderful to be able to teach at B.C.C."

Schlosser's reaching for a star. But he's a qualified astronaut!

Community Chest-nuts

by Jerry Nagel



JERRY NAGEL, Communicator Editor

One hundred and ten pints is **Ariston Metron's** goal in its drive to get College students to donate blood. "Anyone who gives blood can receive it," said **Fred Hoffer**, the houseplan's secretary. "A sufficient number of pints will make the entire College eligible to receive blood. There are 1100 students in the Day Session and ten per cent must contribute to make this possible."

The *Communicator* strongly advocates student participation in this worthy cause which not only would increase the prestige, respect and status of our College, but would be supplying the liquid of life to plenty of people. Get out and give!

In the event of inclement weather, when classes might be temporarily suspended, students are ad-

vised to tune in radio station WNYC to receive the status of attendance report direct from City University.

The United States Marine Corps sends the following news release:

The Corps' Officer Selection Team will visit Bronx Community College campus on 14 January 1963. A Marine Officer will be here to discuss the **Marine Aviation Cadet Program** with interested students. The MARCAD program leads to a second lieutenant's commission and the gold wings of a Marine Pilot. This new program is designed specifically for men attending Junior Colleges.

The MARCAD program consists of eighteen months of intensive flight training at Pensacola, Florida. Freshmen and Sophomores are eligible to apply and if found to be fully qualified, will not be ordered to active duty until they have completed their academic requirements.

The visiting Marine Officer will furnish full details on the MARCAD program during his visit. He will be located in the Student Lounge from 10:00 to 2:00.

The Bitter End, Greenwich Village's foremost bohemian night spot is offering special group rates to house plans. The nitery offers concert-styled performances in an informal atmosphere.

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B.C.C. Matmen and Keglers Pin Hopes on Stalwarts

by Barbara Kostroff

The Wrestling Team opened its season on December 1 at Hunter College, capturing its first match with a score of 30-8. The matmen were off to a good start when Dennis Goldberg made the first pin of the afternoon and from then on the pins came rapidly. The matmen that won were: Mike Ronson, 123; Dave Sheniak, 130; Dennis Goldberg, 137; Mike Dacker, 147; Fred Wiethop, 157 and Barry Traub, 177. Ronald Strain, 167, went against the regional champion, Stan Wilk, but unfortunately he lost in a decision. But a good show was put up.

The matmen then traveled to Nassau Community College for their next match. However, the results were not good, ending in a score of 0-36, in favor of Nassau Community College.

The matmen that wrestled were: Dave Sheniak, 123; Louis Weinberg, 130; Dennis Goldberg, 137; Mike Dacker, 147; Fred Wiethop, 157; Ronald Strain, 167; Steve Kraveic, 177; and Charles Schweitzer, heavyweight.

The matmen are now looking forward to wrestling at home in their newly-renovated gymnasium, against Rockland Community College. All those students interested

in attending any of the matches, please contact Barbara Kostroff in Room 5-22.

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The Bowling Team, under the guidance of Mr. Frank Wong and Captain Pete Meskin, opened its season on November 17. Since that time the bowling team has won every match. On Saturday, December 8, the B.C.C. Keglers were able to capture first place in the Metropolitan Community College League. The keglers took three out of four matches, ending in a 2482 total wood. The high series was 540 taken by John Kesecki and a close second was achieved by Pete Meskin, with a score of 537. The high game was taken by Pete Meskin with a score of 197. Other members of the team are: Pete Zacek, Jim Mandragona, Charlie Libidinsky, Larry Lobel and Norm Levine.

The remaining matches of the season are:

Jan. 5 Queensborough
Jan. 12 N.Y.C.C. (Tech)
Feb. 9 Suffolk
Feb. 16 F.I.T.
Mar. 2 Nassau
Mar. 9 N.Y.C.C. (Tech)
Mar. 16 Play-offs

All the league matches are held at Ridgewood Lanes, 1001 Irving Ave., Woodside, Queens, at 9 A.M. All B.C.C. students are welcome.

Guidance Questionnaire on Alumni

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Engineering, Could a combined A.A.S. and A.A. program cut down on the time requirements if planned far enough ahead?

3. Does the fact that comparatively few Retailing and Secretarial alumni continue with further education reflect the quality of student attracted to these programs or their ability to achieve satisfactorily in classes in which they compete with students in other curricula?

ADDITIONAL SUGGESTED AREAS FOR FURTHER STUDY

It is apparent that the two transfer curricula—Liberal Arts and Sciences and Pre-Engineering—and "career" Pre-Pharmacy curriculum are graduating students all of whom continue their education. What has happened to those who do not graduate? Have they changed curricula, transferred to other colleges prior to graduation, or dropped out of college?

Similarly, graduates of the career curricula present a picture of unequal success, if employment in the field for which they were trained is used as the criterion. Only two are not employed in their chosen field. Again, there are questions which must be asked about those who did not receive degrees, either because of low index or because they lacked one or two courses: are they, too, employed in the field for which they were preparing? Are they similar to or different from their classmates who received diplomas?

It would seem from the returns, that those of our students who survive and graduate represent a highly motivated and successful group of young people, if we use as our criteria the number of them who continue their education beyond the Associate Degree level and the number who are employed full time in the fields for which they were trained. However, further study must be undertaken to determine how well they have succeeded academically and on the job before we can know how well we have performed our task of preparing them.

The Guidance Department has begun to correlate the grades of alumni attending branches of City University with those achieved by the same students at B.C.C. A report on this study is in process. A study of the success of our alumni on the job is one that remains to be undertaken.

We have learned a good deal from this first study. It will be interesting to note whether the Classes of January, June and August, 1962 continue the pattern.

Ham-sters Licensed

by Sol P. Eskenazi

Should a short wave radio fan of B.C.C. hear the voice of a fellow classmate on his set, there is a good chance he is not having auditory hallucinations. For the fact is that Bronx Community has its own amateur radio setup, licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. The Call letters WA2QBS originating from the Electronics Technical Laboratory (Room 432) are frequently heard by responsive radio operators around the globe.

The station is operated by members of the College's Radio Club. Each member desiring to operate the equipment must first receive a license from the F.C.C. before he may do so. These licenses are issued only after a test in radio electronics has been passed.

From Far and Near

The log book of the Club reveals the identifications which have been made both around the world and around the neighborhood. With the aid of an antennae placed on the roof of the building, contact has been made with countries as far as Italy and as close as 183 Street in the Bronx. Other contacts include countries of South America, numerous other American states and other colleges. The F.C.C. however, keeps a constant watch on all broadcasts and the amateur operator is limited legally and morally on what can be broadcast.

In summarizing the process of communicating with other operators, Mr. John Uscinowski, technician of the radio equipment and faculty advisor of the club, said that it involves seeking contact through the transmitter while identifying one's self and standing by through the use of the receiver in the hope of a response to the call.

La Belle Poupee

by Theresa D'Addario

Bien vêtue, assise près de la fenêtre la poupée voit tout le monde Elle garde les enfants qui juvent dans la rue.
Elle écoute la mère qui gronde ses enfants.
Cette poupée ne parle pas mais elle sait tout ce qu'il arrive dans la ville.
Elle ne cri pas mais elle écoute Tous les cris de l'humanité
Assise sur la chaise toujours Cette poupee muette sait Plus des gens qui parlent.

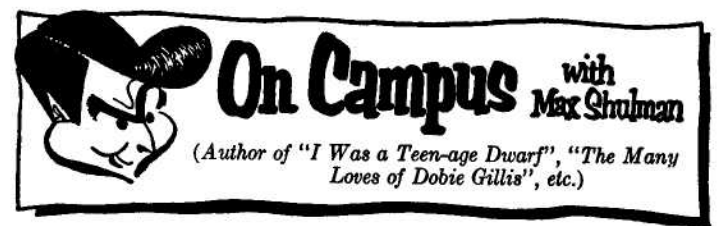
Potential Politicos Problem Primed

by Stephen Rosenberg

Bronx County is witnessing a great wave of student participation in politics. This new interest is best exemplified by the Students' Division of the Bronx Democratic Reorganizing Committee. The Students' Division is composed of young men and women living in the Bronx, who are aware of their community's political problems and who have devoted their time and energy to work with the Reorganizing Committee. The student group has been coordinated by Aaron Richman, a past president of the CCNY Young Democrats Club, who has instilled a feeling of unity amongst the students. The Division has been addressed by such men as Paul R. Shaw, Judge of the Civil Court, and Joseph DiCarlo, City Councilman.

Help Run Campaign

Many of the students have had experience in political endeavors and are very enthused with their present activity. The students helped run an actual campaign during the last primary election, and carried out such tasks as man-



DECK THE HALLS

When you think of Christmas gifts you naturally think of Marlboro cigarettes, leading seller in flip-top box in all fifty states—and if we annex Wales, in all fifty-one—and if we annex Lapland—in all fifty-two. This talk about annexing Wales and Lapland is, incidentally, not just idle speculation. Great Britain wants to trade Wales to the United States for a desert. Great Britain needs a desert desperately on account of the tourist trade. Tourists are always coming up to the Prime Minister or the Lord Privy Seal or like that and saying, "I'm not knocking your country, mind you. It's very quaint and picturesque, etc. what with Buckingham Palace and Bovril and Scotland Yard, etc., but where's your desert?" (Before I forget, let me point out that Scotland Yard, Britain's plainclothes police branch, was named after Wally Scotland and Fred Yard who invented plain clothes. The American plainclothes force is called the FBI after Frank B. Inchcliff, who invented fingerprints. Before Mr. Inchcliff's invention, everybody's fingers were absolutely glassy smooth. This, as you may imagine, played hob with the identification of newborn babies in hospitals. From 1791 until 1904 no American parent



ever brought home the right baby from the hospital. This later became known as the Black Tom Explosion.)

But I digress. England, I was saying, wants to trade Wales for a desert. Sweden wants to trade Lapland for Frank B. Inchcliff. The reason is that Swedes to this day still don't have fingerprints. As a result, identification of babies in Swedish hospitals is so haphazard that Swedes flatly refuse to bring their babies home. There are, at present, nearly a half-billion unclaimed babies in Swedish hospitals—some of them well over eighty years old.

But I digress. We were speaking of Christmas gifts which naturally put us in mind of Marlboro cigarettes. What could be more welcome at Christmas time than Marlboro's flavor, Marlboro's soft pack, Marlboro's flip-top box? What indeed would be more welcome at any time of year—winter or summer, rain or shine, night or day? Any time, any season, when you light a Marlboro you can always be certain that you will get the same mild, flavorful, completely comfortable smoke.

There are, of course, other things you can give for Christmas besides Marlboro cigarettes. If, for example, you are looking for something to give a music lover, let me call to your attention a revolutionary new development in phonographs—the Low-fi phonograph. The Low-fi, product of years of patient research, has so little fidelity to the record you put on it that if, for instance, you put "Stardust" on the turntable, "Melancholy Baby" will come out. This is an especially welcome gift for people who have grown tired of "Stardust".

Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night.

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ning sound trucks, distributing literature, posting signs and stickers, and accompanying candidate Judge Shaw on his walking tours. Representing B.C.C. in this group are Alvin Schlosser, Philip Firszenbaum and Stephen Rosenberg and the Communicator's Ivan Farber. The Student Division meets each Sunday evening at 7:30 in Room 229 of the Concourse Plaza Hotel. Students interested should contact any of the students mentioned for in-

formation, or come to the next meeting.

"It is important that the youth of the Bronx take an active part in local politics," Rosenberg said, "so that the Bronx Democratic Party can receive the reorganization and revitalization it so badly needs. The Students' Division of the Bronx Democratic Reorganizing Committee truly embodies the thought that 'Youth is the Vital Force for Democracy'."